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The Honorable Daniel R. Elliot, III  
Chairman  
Surface Transportation Board  
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Dear Chairman Elliot:

I am writing to express Associated Terminals's support for a strong freight railroad network, not only in our state and region, but across the nation.

As America finally begins to pull itself out of the Great Recession, we do not need to reverse progress by damaging the ability of the rail industry to reinvest and continue to provide strong service.

We at Associated Terminal's support a healthy freight rail network that encourages investment by the rail industry and supports job growth that continues to sustain the fragile economic recovery.

We oppose any policy or regulatory changes that would hinder the freight railroads' ability to continue investing billions of dollars annually in private capital to grow and modernize the nation's rail infrastructure. We respectfully request that no regulatory or policy changes be pursued at this time by the STB. We need to maintain the strong and well-balanced regulatory regime we have in place today.

Thank you for our consideration of our position.

Respectfully,

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